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Guide to the

Sylvia Townsend Warner collection of papers

1922-1978

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Summary

Creator: Warner, Sylvia Townsend, 1893-

Title: Sylvia Townsend Warner collection of papers

Date: 1922-1978

Size: 400 items

Source: This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources.

Abstract: This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, a typescript, and correspondence.

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Creator History

Sylvia Townsend Warner was an English novelist, poet, biographer, and translator.

Custodial History

Previous owners include Samuel Menashe.

Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, a typescript, and correspondence. The manuscripts and typescript consist of poems by the author and an article by Stephen Spender. The correspondence consists of letters from the author, dating from 1922 to 1978, to Leonard Clark, David Garnett, Howard Griffin, Samuel Menashe, Humbert Wolfe, and others. There are letters to Warner from David Garnett, Ray Garnett, Cecil Woolf, and John Bagguley, dating from 1924 to 1978.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Correspondence

Names

Warner, Sylvia Townsend, 1893-

Bagguley, John

Clark, Leonard

Garnett, David, 1892-1981

Garnett, Ray

Griffin, Howard, 1915-1975

Menashe, Samuel, 1925-2011

Menashe, Samuel, 1925-2011

Spender, Stephen, 1909-1995

Wolfe, Humbert, 1885-1940

Woolf, Cecil

Container List

Manuscripts and Typescripts

Manuscripts and Typescripts written by Warner

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| Manuscript box | "Experimentally poking the enormous..." Holograph poem n.d. (1 p) (1 p)
Signed. Inscribed to Samuel Menashe |
| Cased | Lolly Willowes. Holograph n.d. (291 p) (291 p)
With title and a signed ms. note authenticating the ms. by the author added later |
| Manuscript box. In her: 212 ALS, 2 AL, 2 TLS, 16 postcards to David Garnett. Aug. 11, 1922-Feb. 3, 1978. Folder 44 | [Poems (5)] Typescript n.d. (2 p) (2 p) |

Manuscripts and Typescripts relating to Warner

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| Manuscript box | Spender, Stephen. [Spain invites the world's writers] Holograph draft, incomplete, of article. Paginated 5 and 16. Mentions Sylvia Townsend Warner n.d. (2 p) (2 p)
With his: [Trial of a judge] Holograph drafts of several speeches. Published in New Writing, IV (autumn 1937), p. 245-251 |
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Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

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| Manuscript box | Clark, Leonard. 2 postcards to 1959, [n.d (2 cards) (2 cards) |
| Manuscript box | Garnett, David. 212 ALS, 2 AL, 2 TLS, 16 postcards to 1922 Aug. 11 - 1978 Feb. 3 (232 letters in 48 folders) (232 letters in 48 folders)
Accompanied by: Craig, Maurice. TLS to David Garnett, Aug. 5, 1965. Folder 22; Garnett, D. ALS to S. T. Warner. Folder 36; Garnett, Ray. 2 ALS to S. T. Warner [Jan. and April 1925] Folder 36; also [Poems (5)] Typescript. Folder 44 |
| Manuscript box | Gordan, Phyllis Walter Goodhart. ALS to 1967 Aug. 8 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Griffin, Howard. ALS to 1972 Dec. 7 (2 p) (2 p) |
| Manuscript box | Menashe, Samuel. 8 ALS, Christmas card to 1960 Sept. 30 - 1971 Nov. 16 (9 letters in 2 folders) (9 letters in 2 folders) |
| Manuscript box | Menashe, Samuel. 18 ALS, 3 ANS, 1 postcard to 1960 Nov. 14 - 1978 Feb. 8 (22 letters in 3 folders) (22 letters in 3 folders) |
| Manuscript box | Pinker, James B., and son. LS, ALS, etc. to 1933 - 1934 (4 letters) (4 letters) B. |
| Manuscript box | Wolfe, Humbert. ALS, 5 TLS to 1929 June 9 - 1939 Feb. 9 (6 letters) (6 letters)
With two TL (carbon) replies |
| Manuscript box (Vietnam) | Woolf, Cecil and John Bagguley, eds. Authors take sides on Vietnam. Correspondence with Sylvia Townsend Warner 1967 (1 folder) (1 folder) |

Incoming Correspondence

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| Manuscript box | Garnett, David. 107 ALS, 3 AL, 4 TLS to Warner 1924 July 22 - 1978 Jan. 27 (114 letters in 23 folders) (114 letters in 23 folders)
Accompanied by his: Mort de la vieille France. Typescript of poem, initialed and dated Sept. 24, 1965. 1 p. Folder 9; Le defi. Holograph poem, unsigned and dated Oct. 29, 1967. 1 p. Folder 15 |
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Correspondence (cont.)

Incoming Correspondence (cont.)

Manuscript box.
In: Warner, Sylvia
Townsend. 212
ALS, 2 AL, 2 TLS,
16 postcards to
David Garnett.
Aug. 11, 1922 -
Feb. 3, 1978.
Folder 36

Garnett, David. ALS to Warner n.d. (3 p) (3 p)

Manuscript box.
In: Warner, Sylvia
Townsend. 212
ALS, 2 AL, 2 TLS,
16 postcards to
David Garnett.
Aug. 11, 1922 -
Feb. 3, 1978.
Folder 36

Garnett, Ray. 2 ALS (photocopy) to Warner 1925 Jan.], [1925 Apr (1 p.; 2 p) (1 p.;
2 p)

Manuscript box
(Vietnam)

Woolf, Cecil and John Bagguley, eds. Authors take sides on Vietnam.
Correspondence with Sylvia Townsend Warner 1967 (1 folder) (1 folder)